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GROUP 2642
PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Gabriele DUSPIVA, et al.

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For: A METHOD FOR PROVIDING A SERVICE IN A TELECOMMUNICATION
NETWORK AND A CORRESPONDING INFRASTRUCTURE MANAGER

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 6, 2004, Applicants submit the following remarks.

Claims 1-8 are all the claims pending in the application.

Claims 1, 2 and 6 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by USP 6,028,924 to Ram et al. Claims 3-5 and 7-8 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim. Applicants respectfully traverse these rejections, and request reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims in view of the following arguments.

In an Amendment filed on January 23, 2004, Applicants argued that the Examiner did not provide devices in Ram that teach an infrastructure manager (LL-SCP) and a service specific unit